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HOME COMING SEPT. 5 AND 6

Big Time Anticipated. Large Crowds Assured. The Fatted Calf will be Slain.

Wednesday and Thursday, September 5th and 6th, are the days set for the Barber County Home Coming, on the completion of the Denver, Kansas & Gulf railroad to Medicine Lodge. Only about five miles of track remain to be laid now and the company assure our citizens that by September 5th they will be able to run passenger trains to Medicine Lodge. The program of exercises has not yet been arranged in detail, but all who visit our city will be shown a good time. A big free dinner in the court house yard will be the first great event, beginning at 1 o'clock p. m. the first day. The committee in charge of the dinner promise to spread a feast and everybody is promised a square meal and a square meal.

Senator Chester I. Long will have charge of the ceremonies on the platform and he will make the address of welcome, following which he will see that every visiting orator is introduced. Among the distinguished ex-Barberites who have already promised to be here loaded with a speech are the following: Hon. J. W. B. Guthrie; Hon. T. A. ...; Judge R. A. Cameron; Judge E. B. Plost; Kansas City; Hon. C. S. Jones; Kansas City; Hon. W. A. Hopkins; Enid; Hon. A. J. Jones; Enid; Col. W. W. Snoddy; Alva; Hon. Fred R. Ellis; Lawton.

From information at hand at this time, the committee on arrangements place the number of visitors outside of the county at 1000. It is presumed that the citizens within the county will come en masse and it is desired that all home people who can do so, bring well filled baskets and assist in supplying the tables in the park.

The invitation is open to everybody who now lives in the county or who has lived here or who ever expects to live here. They are coming from everywhere. The following letter which the Index received a few days ago shows how a prodigal who now resides in Chicago feels about it:

Chicago, Ill., 8, 6th 06. Painter & Herr, Publishers, Medicine Lodge, Kansas.

I have often wished that the Home Coming of the Kentuckians would be followed up by other states and when I read of the Barber County Home Coming my heart fairly leaped with joy.

Save me a piece of the fatted lamb.

A. P. PARKER.

In addition to what has already been said, it might be suggested now that the committee on entertainment want to hear from the residents within the city as to how many visitors they can lodge. The hotels will not have the capacity to take care of the crowd and it is desired that the homes be thrown open for the purpose. Those who can accommodate visitors should leave their names and number they can take care of with J. B. Gano, H. H. Case, C. W. Wilson, Waldron Chase or at the Index office.

Reduced rates have been secured over both roads. Visitors will arrive at 1 and 3 p. m., Wednesday, the 5th and can stay as long as they want to. They can leave the following day at 11 a. m., 1 p. m. and 7:40 p. m., if they so desire.

Let every citizen of Medicine Lodge and Barber county do his utmost to make this the greatest event in the history of the town and county.

ICE FOR SALE.

Guy C. Sparks has Pure Crystal Ice for sale, one-half mile north of Sharon. Orders promptly filled. Ice house open early in the morning and late in the evening.

HAVE YOU THE DATES?

J. Harry Gay, eye sight specialist, at Hotel Grand—Medicine Lodge—all of the last week in September and Oct. 1st and 2nd. Nine full days in all.

STRAYED—A pale red cow, dehorned and branded HP connected. Leave information with E. S. Crumpacker, Medicine Lodge.

THE INDEX WILL MOVE.

In the course of two or three weeks the Index will move into the second room of the Cook block on south Main street. The room is now being prepared for that purpose. A six-column Quarto Taylor Drum press will be installed to take the place of our old Chicago Stop Cylinder with which we have had so much trouble for over twelve years. The move will occasion a great deal of expense—more than we are justified in creating, but a series of misfortunes made it necessary for the publishers to "plunge" a little or lock up and quit and we chose to plunge. It is hardly necessary to add that those who have an account with us would confer a very highly appreciated favor by calling and settling at this time.

A SERIOUS CHARGE.

Last Wednesday Mrs. J. B. Brown of Sharon township got out a warrant charging her husband with beating her with a club and biting and disfiguring her face. She also brought a civil action for divorce and alimony. Mr. and Mrs. Brown were married only a few months ago—early in June—and so far as the public knew were getting along nicely. They are both prominent people in eastern Barber county and come from leading citizens. The husband is a son of Wm. Brown, one of Sharon township's wealthiest and most honored citizens. The wife was formerly Emma Cora Spicer, daughter of J. T. Spicer of Cedar township, also a well-to-do citizen.

The preliminary hearing was set before Justice Collins Monday but in the meantime a reconciliation was effected, the criminal case and divorce action dismissed and the parties have agreed to let bygones be bygones. Their friends are glad to hear of the settlement.

They are having a big time with the jointists of Harper county these days and Barber county is housing the unfortunate ones since the jail at Anthony is unfit for use. On Friday Sheriff Cutler of Anthony brought over two jointists—Joe Wright and Ed Stevens, who were convicted of booze selling in justice court and fined \$100 each and sentenced to 30 days in jail. An Index reporter called at the jail to interview the gentlemen but they were too proud to talk and we were compelled to hunt up the Anthony papers for information. We can't account for their coolness unless it was because we wore poor clothes. We don't often wish a man bad luck but we confess that we would like to see both of these worthies come down to the newspaper business some day and get "snubbed."

Waldron Chase and C. Q. Chandler had a small mishap with the big auto on their road to Wellington, near Attica, last Thursday. They struck a snag in a culvert and were laid up several hours, but they got the machine back to Attica and Mr. Chase fixed the break.

Do you want a home in town? Three desirable homes for sale or will trade for cattle, horses and hogs. This means business. Don't delay; these properties will be quick sellers as prices are right.—Palmer, Case & Co.

Pie plant, and vegetables of all kinds, delivered at your house or on sale at garden.—Thos. Carter.

SOCIALIST CONVENTION.

Socialists who have severed all connection with all other political parties are hereby called to meet at the Court House at Medicine Lodge at 1 o'clock P. M., on Saturday, Sept. 1st, 1906, for the purpose of nominating a county Socialist ticket.

COMMITTEE.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH.

Rev. Geo. Belsey will hold service on Sunday, August 12th, as follows:
Sunday School 10 a. m.
Morning Prayer 11 a. m.
There will be no evening service.

Good as Gold—Peoples Supply Co. cream separator, \$6 to \$8 according to size, cash or note Reuben Lake, General Agent, Lake City, Kas., Waldron Chase, Agent, Medicine Lodge; T. H. Trice, Sharon.

LAND OF MILK AND HONEY.

Observations of a Visitor From Rice county. A Good Advertisement for Barber.

Editor Clark Conkling of the Lyons Republican, has the following "send-off" for Barber county in his last week's paper:

Friday morning, July 27th, this publisher boarded the Frisco south, bound for the land of milk and honey, the far-famed Sharon Valley of Barber county, accompanied by his daughter Enid and son Glenn.

The railroads do not seem to have caught on to the importance (!) of these yearly trips and have not yet adjusted their time tables to our convenience! One must leave Lyons at 10 o'clock in the morning not to arrive in Medicine Lodge till 10:30 at night while coming back it is still worse—a lay over at Attica, Wichita or Hutchinson being necessary.

Barber county is in it this year. Its wheat crop has been excellent while its corn crop promises to be immense—and will be because it is now largely made. The wheat and cut alfalfa is being damaged some by the daily rains but the farmers solace themselves with the thought that what is hurting the one crop is making the other.

Many hundreds of acres of alfalfa have been put out in this country since our first visit five years ago and nearly every field has made satisfactory returns. Howard Stone seeded 15 acres last September. His first cutting this spring yielded 8 tons and his second 12 tons. J. M. Hall seeded 40 acres last fall, turned his stock into it before winter set in and has kept 150 head of hogs upon it all the time since besides several head of horses and it still yielded a small cutting. Harry M. Stone after two almost unsuccessful seedings, caught a fine stand and is now cutting his third crop this season of over a ton per cutting. This year the alfalfa and the corn will turn out many a fine bunch of cattle and hogs to buy more land to raise more alfalfa and corn to fatten more stock to buy more land etc., etc., ad infinitum. The only trouble is to find the more land to buy for the five to fifteen dollar per acre land of five years ago is now scarce at from \$30 to \$50 per acre and "Don't want to sell" is the more frequent reply when prices are asked.

The ex-Rice countyites have all done well and been well except Mrs. D. N. Myers and Mrs. John Welsh. They have both suffered much during the past year and are still far from well. Mrs. D. N. Myers was able to be in town the Saturday we were there. Mr. and Mrs. John Welsh have rented their farm and will travel during the coming year for her health. They hope to hit Lyons among the first places visited and will be warmly welcomed by their host of old friends here. Mr. and Mrs. Will Drake have bought a farm and moved upon it during the past year but it is outside of our circle and we missed seeing them this year. Mrs. Welsh was with them while John is batching or helping Howard Stone occasionally to keep some of the good cooking of Howard's wife from spoiling.

The fruit is quite plentiful in the Sharon Valley this year and we were favored with a trip (between showers) through the famous orchard and vineyard of John Dunkin who often consigns some of his fruit to E. A. Richards. Mr. Dunkin has only 40 acres and it is about as sandy a piece as we ever saw but the sub-irrigation is simply perfect and this with constant cultivation brings Mr. Dunkin a crop every year wet or dry and he probably makes a better living-upon this sandy 40 acres than scores of his neighbors do upon their hundreds of acres. His vineyards comprises only about 2 1/2 acres but there are 21 variety of grapes there and every vine that we looked into was magnificently loaded.

Thos. Kenney is a candidate for the nomination for the Republican nomination for Sheriff of Barber county again this year. This third attempt ought to bring success, and here's hopin'.

As indicated by our associate last week, we saw "the Stones, the Halls, the Welshs, the Kennys, the Myers," but not the Drakes, and also the Marshalls, the Crouses and

most of the Barber county friends we have made on other visits. It was pleasant to be there for eight days but not long enough to get around and see all. Each year we hoped "next year" to have a few days longer to visit more of them in their homes instead of upon the streets.

Last year upon our return from Medicine Lodge we wrote: "What it needs now more than all else to bring it up to its standard as a first class little city, is more sidewalks, especially in the residence part of the town. * * * Let Medicine Lodge get to the front with more brick or cement sidewalks. It will repay a hundred fold."

Medicine Lodge has taken our advice and has laid blocks and blocks mostly of cement sidewalk and has improved the walking about the "old town" very much. Many new houses of modern, tasty design and finish have been erected and the town is on a decided up grade. The people have lost their cow boy tastes and actions, dress better, and look better than five years ago, their horses, their buggies, their carriages all show the old man, Gen. Prosperity, has been among them and left his loving mementoes of dollars and dollars.

DEMOCRAT COMMITTEE MEETING.

A meeting of the Democratic Central Committee of Barber county is hereby called at Medicine Lodge on Saturday, Sept. 1st, at 2:30 P. M., for the purpose of setting a day to hold the county nominating convention and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

The following persons compose the committee. Every member is urged to be present:

Nick Lorenson	ARTHA	P. O. Aetna
J. W. Burton	CEGAR	Sharon
J. A. Maddox	CEGAR	Sharon
C. F. Ware	DEERHEAD	Lake City
Chas. Lawkin	DEERHEAD	Lake City
M. F. Stewart	EAGLE	Medicine Lodge
J. M. Crouse	ELM MILLS	Doerhead
L. S. McElwain	ELM MILLS	Isabel
W. P. Gibson	ELM MILLS	Sawyer
D. S. McCoy	ELWOOD	Eagle
R. M. Smith	ELWOOD	Medicine Lodge
Fayette Thomas	HAZELTON	Hazleton
W. C. Alford	HAZELTON	Hazleton
Wm. Kincaid	HAZELTON	Hazleton
H. A. Bailey	KIOWA	Kiowa
A. L. Mason	KIOWA	Kiowa
Riley Lake	LAKE CITY	Lake City
O. Mills	LAKE CITY	Lake City
W. A. Newkirk	LAKE CITY	Kiowa
A. J. Howard	LAKE CITY	Kiowa
F. R. Hayes	MEDICINE LODGE	Medicine Lodge
J. P. Hall	MEDICINE LODGE	Medicine Lodge
Preston Parr	MINGONA	Medicine Lodge
J. L. Gant	MINGONA	Medicine Lodge
Chas. Marsh	MCADOO	Lake City
W. A. Rathbun	MCADOO	Coats
J. W. Weyer	NIPPAWALLA	Medicine Lodge
J. B. Harbaugh	NIPPAWALLA	Kiowa
J. D. Spangler	SHARON	Sharon
John Dunkin	SHARON	Sharon
Homer Hastings	SUN CITY	Sun City
Wm. Ward	SUN CITY	Sun City
Al Hefflin	TURKEY CREEK	Belvidere
H. C. Walker	TURKEY CREEK	Belvidere
D. W. Runkle	VALLEY	Isabel
V. C. Steeper	VALLEY	Nashville
I. W. Stont	AT LARGE	Medicine Lodge
Seward I. Field	RILEY LAKE, Chairman.	Medicine Lodge

SPECIAL TO KINGMAN.

The Santa Fe will run a special to Kingman on Friday of this week to accommodate all Barber county people who want to spend only one day at the big Cattlemen's picnic. The special will leave Medicine Lodge at 8:30 a. m. and will return, leaving Kingman at 10:30 p. m.

FRALICH CASE SETTLED.

John Fralich and wife of Mingo township settled their differences on Saturday and Mrs. Fralich dismissed her suit for divorce and alimony. Each party signed a stipulation extending forgiveness to the other and Mrs. Fralich went home with her husband and they are again living happily together. The quarrel cost nearly \$1000 but would have run up much higher had it been prolonged. They did the sensible thing in burying the past.

Harry Tilden of Isabel left a call for a socialist county convention at this office for publication Saturday. It appears in this issue. Harry is practically alone in the movement. There are about forty socialists in Barber county and Mr. Tilden is the only one we have heard express himself in favor of nominating a county ticket this year.

H. D. Fair and J. N. Tinchler went to Kansas City Saturday night.

J. W. and T. D. Finley left yesterday for a few weeks at Colorado Springs.

Kramer's Wanda, high patent flour, is the best in the market. Sold by H. D. Fair.

Mrs. W. H. McCague and son, Percy, went to Alva Saturday to visit her parents.

Waldron Chase was in Wichita Thursday and Friday, returning by way of Isabel Friday night.

Born, to M. A. Bullington and wife Saturday, August 11th, a fine boy. Drs. Van Dewalker and Moore in attendance.

S. P. Garrison put a solid cement wall in his well last week from bottom to top. Steve has a well now for all time to come.

Probate Judge Gleason united Okey Arnold and Evelyn Owens of Kiowa in marriage at his office last Thursday, August 9th.

J. W. Brown is knocked out again. His old trouble—a bad leg—is manifesting itself again. John can get around with the aid of a crutch but he can't do any work.

Lee Chapin entertained a crowd of young folks Saturday night. They were conveyed to and fro by means of the popular vehicle—the hay wagon, and it is needless to say that there was "something doing."

Friday's Wichita Eagle gives Barber county's "Home Coming" a great puff. The Eagle is considerably worried about what the people here will do with Carrie A. Nation if she should decide to accept the invitation.

J. E. Thomas, republican candidate for the nomination for county superintendent, of Turkey Creek township, was at Kiowa and Hazelton in the interest of his candidacy last Thursday and Friday. He wears a confident air.

Senator Long returned Saturday from attending a meeting of the senate commission having charge of Indian affairs in the Indian territory. The meeting was held in Denver. The active work of the committee will be taken up after the fall elections.

Col. O. S. Boggs is preparing to leave for St. Louis to spend the winter with his son, Walter. He had expected to get away yesterday but our latest information is that he will not leave until today or tomorrow, but may not get things in shape until next week, so that he can leave. Col. Boggs' health is not as good lately as it was when he came here and he has concluded that it is better for him to go where he can get better care.

Five of the names that appeared in the grand jury petition, marked with asterisks as non-taxpayers, as published in the Index last week, have since been found on the tax rolls. The names are Fenton Willey of this city, G. C. Sparks, N. S. Williams and T. O. Owen of Sharon, and B. F. Brokus, of Hazelton. The marking of Mr. Willey's name as a non-taxpayer was the printer's error while the other cases were errors of the county clerk. Both stand ready to make the amende honorable.

Mrs. Emma Johnson-Adams returned from her visit at Cassville, Mo., on Tuesday of last week. She reports a delightful time but rain interfered somewhat with her pleasure. She says the Missourians think they have fine peaches and other fruits this year but they can't compare with the fruit grown here. Her parents and a brother expect to make her a visit soon and may decide to buy property here and remain.

Barber county's home coming will not be a complete success unless Dave Leahy, the versatile reporter of the Wichita Eagle and an early day Barber county editor, shows his honest face among the multitudes of devourers of Barber county beef and yellow-legged chickens. But Dave promised J. B. Gano, at Wichita last Thursday that he "will sure be here" and we all know that with him it is impossible to prevaricate. Therefore we feel sure that he is one prodigal on whom we may safely count.

It is best to get the best. Buy Red Star flour.

C. Q. Chandler was in the city a few hours last Wednesday.

Plenty of good alfalfa honey for 20c per pound.—J. Q. Wheat.

Wall paper at Adams & Co's. The very latest and all qualities.

V. S. Cook and family returned from their pleasure trip in Colorado last Friday.

Kramer's Wanda, high patent flour, is the best in the market. Sold by H. D. Fair.

Miss Minnie Gant returned on Tuesday of last week from a visit at Independence, Mo.

People say that the finest groceries in town are at H. T. Woodward's & Son's. Phone 38.

Born, to Homer Hooker and wife Tuesday morning, August 14, a nice little girl. Dr. Moore.

The new soda fountain and ice cream parlor at Luallen's will drive away the blues. Try the remedy.

Dr. J. R. VanNess went to Augusta, Kansas, last Wednesday on a short visit.

Mrs. F. M. Shell, Miss Alma and Master Everett returned home from their visit at Pittsburg, Kansas, last Friday.

J. B. Gano got twenty-one more men at Wichita last Friday and put them on the steel gang on the Denver, Kansas & Gulf.

Mrs. A. Brock and children of Bedford, Ind., arrived last Wednesday to visit with Chas. C. Duncan and wife. The ladies are sisters.

When you are figuring on a sewing machine remember that the New Royal and the New Home are the leaders. No others as good. Adams & Co.

Seward I. Field went to Kansas City Friday to visit his brother, R. S. Field. He will return via Topeka where he will examine land titles for the Denver, Kansas & Gulf railway company. He is expected home the latter part of this week.

George Stewart's troubles were increased last week. An additional charge of bastardy was filed against him, Beryl Hoy being the complaining witness. His preliminary hearing was set for September 28th. His bond was fixed at \$750.

J. E. Coryell went to Geuda Springs on Saturday to rest up two weeks. During his absence Fred Buck will take care of the local phone lines. J. E. has put in some mighty hard licks this summer and if there is a man under the sun who deserves a rest, he is one of them.

The friends and neighbors of Mrs. J. H. McIntyre, residing on the Benefield farm a short distance southeast of town, treated her to a genuine birthday surprise Saturday evening. An elegant supper was spread, the table laden with all the delicacies the season affords and the crowd had a jolly good time. It was Mrs. McIntyre's 53rd birthday.

A little mock trial was up in police court last Friday that excited local interest. J. N. Tinchler was arrested on a charge of disturbing the peace but it appeared from the evidence that none of the interested parties whose peace was alleged to have been disturbed desired to prosecute the case and Judge Stevens dismissed the defendant.

While the publishers of the Index were in Kansas City last week looking up printer's machinery, we stopped a few minutes with Robt. S. Field, formerly of this city. Robt. is one of the busiest lawyers in the city and is doing well. He and his brother, Seward I. Field, of this city have just let the contract for building two modern dwellings in the busy metropolis, which indicates that both are doing well financially.

The Hon. Randolph Hinnen, who several years ago was a prominent member of the Barber county bar, is now temporarily located at Attica. He was located at Lawton, Oklahoma, and had offices in several other cities in the new country but his health gave way and he found it necessary to go to a better climate. He says he has almost regained his usual strength again and expects to go to a city soon and engage in active practice again.